

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Strelna Volunteer Fire Department****Federal Tax ID: 020802571****Project Title:**

Strelna Volunteer Fire Department - Fire Department Building

State Funding Requested: \$ 100,000**House District: 6 - C**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

The Strelna Volunteer Fire Department would like to build a Fire Department Building to house their Fire Truck and other Fire Fighting equipment.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$100,000**Funding Secured*Amount FY*Other Pending Requests*Amount FY*Anticipated Future Need*Amount FY*

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Strelna Volunteer Fire Department has been working hard trying to form their own fire department. They received a Fire Truck from the McCarthy Fire Department and is in need of a building to store this fire truck along with other fire fighting equipment. The residents of Strelna have been working with the Alaska Village Initiatives to help the Fire Department with their endeavors. They had applied for the Project Code Red program and had received their fire station in a box but it had to go to a State of Alaska approved fire department which at that time they were not. The fire station in a box ended up going to Chitina Fire Department. Now that Strelna has formed it's own fire department they are requesting funding for a fire department building.

Project Timeline:

Project will occur in 2009.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Strelna Volunteer Fire Department

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

Contact Name: Bob Leisy

Phone Number: (907) 835-2973

Address: PO Box Chitna, AK 99566

Email:

Total Project Snapshot Report

FY 2009 Capital Budget

TPS Report 50548

Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Melanie Herbert

From: Rep. Woodie Salmon
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 2:48 PM
To: Maridon Boario; Melanie Herbert
Subject: FW: Request for \$100,000.00 for Fire Dept Building

From: Bob Leisy / Michelle Young [mailto:leisy@valdezak.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 8:00 PM
To: Rep. Woodie Salmon
Cc: Hale, Carrie; Rep. John Harris
Subject: Request for \$100,000.00 for Fire Dept Building

Rep. Mr. Salmon,

About three years ago, we had a conversation in regards to the matter I am requesting today. At the time I was worried about the home I had built and could not insure. I then started talking to my neighbors and we formed our own Volunteer Fire Department. We will now be able to not only provide structural fire support but will be able to fight "wild land fires". We have been given a fire truck from the good folks at McCarthy which we will be able to be the first responders to any fires till we can get back up from our signed on partners: Chitina Volunteer Fire Dept, Kenny Lake Volunteer Fire Dept., McCarthy Volunteer Fire Dept, as well as the Dept. of Natural Resources and the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Park Service. We are working with Mr. Charles Parker with the Alaska Village Initiatives to get a "project Code Red" for our use in the Strelna area.

Not being real computer smart Rep. Salmon, I have faxed all of our supporting documentation to you. I would hope that you could find a way to get this included into the Capital Projects budget. I will also be talking with Speaker Harris office to keep track of this item. Thank you for your consideration in this matter

Respectfully submitted

Bob Leisy

#835-2973

February 1, 2008

Bob Leisy
Box 1494
Valdez, Alaska 99686

Mr. John Harris
Speaker of House of Representatives
State of Alaska Capital
Room 208
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Speaker Mr. Harris,

We as residents, seasonal as well as permanent, have worked real hard to form our own Volunteer Fire Dept. for area. The area has a high Spruce Beetle infestation with a lot of dead trees. We are worried about wild land fires and the homes that are there being destroyed. We have gone and done the "fuel reduction" program with monies supplied by Department of Natural Resources as well as the Forest Service.

We would like to request that the State of Alaska put into the Capital Budget an amount for us to build a local building for our Volunteer Fire department to house any equipment that we might be able to get from other fire departments in the state. We are asking for \$ 100,000.00.

We have been working with Mr. Charlie Parker who is with Alaska Village Initiatives, to help us in our endeavors. He told me he will help as much as he can. We had applied for the "Project Code Red" program and had received their fire station in a box but it had to go to a State of Alaska approved Fire Dept. which at the time we were not. It then ended up at the Chitina Fire Dept. and they will not give it to us. Mr. Parker is going to see about us getting back on the list to receive that equipment.

We are requesting this grant for the purpose of housing our fire fighting equipment as well as an ambulance for our three trained EMT's. As Gov. Palin stated in a news release in December, she wanted to see that rural

Alaska had comprehensive fire fighting capabilities to all citizens in their areas.

I realize Speaker Harris that you do not represent this area but I thought that you could maybe direct this request to the proper people which I believe would be Rep. Woodie Salmon and Sen. Gene Theriault.

We would appreciate any help you could give to us!

Respectfully submitted

Bob Leisy

cc. Mr. Charles Parker
Alaska Village Initiatives

Disclosure of Corporate Purpose

The Strelna Volunteer Fire Department will:

Provide voluntary fire prevention and suppression to the members of its organization and the community of Strelna, in such a manner as is in accordance with State, Federal and local protocol and within its members training and physical abilities.

Respond to all disasters both natural and man caused to the best of their ability and training, providing relief efforts and if equipment is available will open roads for emergency vehicles in accordance with all State, Federal and local laws.

Seek to provide on going training to all of its members, to acquire and maintain vehicles and apparatus, and to construct a building to house the vehicles and equipment that can be heated so that it is able to provide an effective, year round service to its members and community.

Hold regular trainings to keep the crews refreshed and the equipment fully operational, making every effort to mitigate any possible dangers to the crew or the community.

Try to maintain a small cache of both disaster relief and medical supplies as it will often be first responder to emergencies along the McCarthy Road.

Form mutual aid agreements with the surrounding Fire Departments and with State and Federal entities that have jurisdiction in our area.

Work with the members and community to recognize and utilize fire and fuel mitigation efforts such as Firewise landscaping and construction, and general fire safety.

Alaska Entity #: 105329

State of Alaska
Department of Commerce, Community, and
Economic Development
Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

CERTIFICATE
OF
INCORPORATION
Nonprofit Corporation

THE UNDERSIGNED, as Commissioner of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development of the State of Alaska, hereby certifies that Articles of Incorporation duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of Alaska Statutes has been received in this office and have been found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY, the undersigned, as Commissioner of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, hereby issues this certificate to

Strelna Volunteer Fire Department

and attaches hereto the original copy of the Articles of Incorporation for such certificate.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I execute this certificate and affix the Great Seal of the State of Alaska on **December 21, 2006**.

Emil Notti

Emil Notti
Commissioner



Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
 Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
 CORPORATIONS SECTION
 PO Box 110808
 Juneau AK 99811-0808

AK Entity #: 105329
 Date Filed: 12/21/2006 12:00 AM
 State of Alaska
 Department of Commerce

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Nonprofit Corporation

The undersigned natural person(s) of the age of 19 years or more, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under the Alaska Statutes (AS 10.20) hereby executes the following document and sets forth:

Article 1. Name of the Corporation: The name of a corporation may not contain a word or phrase that indicates or implies that it is organized for a purpose other than one or more of the purposes contained in the articles of incorporation of the corporation.

Strelha Volunteer Fire Department

Article 2. The period of duration, which may be perpetual:

Perpetual

ARTICLE 3. The purpose for which the Corporation is organized:

To provide Fire and Emergency Services to the community and members

Article 4. Provisions, not inconsistent with law, which the incorporators elect to set out in the articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation, including provision for distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation:

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private person except that the corporation shall be authorized to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes authorized by law to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or to the corresponding provisions of any future Internal Revenue law).

Article 5. Registered Agent Name and Address (The Registered Agent of the corporation must have an address in Alaska):

Name:	Kris Winter		
Mailing Address:	PO Box 104		
Physical Address if Mailing Address is a Post Office Box:	Mile 32.2 Edgerton Hwy		
	City: Chitina	AK	ZIP Code: 99566



Article 6:

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors: (The number of initial directors must be at least 3.)	3
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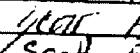
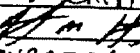
The names and mailing address of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors:

Name:	Stacy King		
Mailing Address:	PO Box 70		
	City: Chitina	State: AK	ZIP Code: 99566
Name:	Scott Hale		
Mailing Address:	PO Box 73		
	City: Chitina	State: AK	ZIP Code: 99566
Name:	CHRISTOPHER M. HATCH		
Mailing Address:	PO Box 1		
	City: Chitina	State: AK	ZIP Code: 99566

If more than three initial directors, attach an additional sheet.

Article 7. Three or more natural persons at least 19 years of age may act as incorporators of a corporation by signing and delivering in duplicate to the commissioner articles of incorporation for the corporation.

Signature, Name and mailing address of each incorporator:

Signature:			
Printed Name:	Stacy King		
Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 70		
	City: Chitina	State: AK	ZIP Code: 99566
Signature:			
Printed Name:	Scott A. Hale		
Mailing Address:	PO Box 73		
	City: Chitina	State: AK	ZIP Code: 99566
Signature:			
Printed Name:	CHRISTOPHER M. HATCH		
Mailing Address:	PO Box 1		
	City: Chitina	State: AK	ZIP Code: 99566

Signed by the incorporators this 15th day of December, 2006.

Attach additional pages for continuation of previous article and/or additional articles.
Please indicate which article you are continuing and/or insert any desired additional provisions authorized by the code by adding additional articles here.

If you have specific legal questions or concerns about this filing, you are strongly advised to consult an attorney or other professional to assist you. Mail the filing and the \$50.00 filing fee (in U.S. dollars) to:

State of Alaska
Corporations Section
PO Box 110808, Juneau AK 99801

For additional information or forms please visit our web site at: www.corporations.alaska.gov

DISCLOSURE OF CORPORATE PURPOSE USING THE NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM (NAICS)

A separate Disclosure of Corporate Purpose must be attached to the Articles of Incorporation which most closely describes the activities of the corporation. The NAICS Code must not conflict with the purpose listed in the Articles of Incorporation.

The 6-digit NAICS industry grouping code which most clearly describes the initial activities of the corporation is:

624230


State of Alaska

Department of Safety

Division of Fire

Alaska State Fire Office

HAS MET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A
2007 RATED FIRE DEPARTMENT


Steven "Rusty" Belanger
Acting State Fire Marshal



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P.O. BOX 9003
HOLTSVILLE NY 11742-9003

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STRELMA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
% CARRIE HALE
PO BOX 104
CHITINA AK 99566

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Date of this notice: 03-20-2007

Employer Identification Number:
02-0802571

Form: SS-4

Number of this notice: CP 575 E

For assistance you may call us a
1-800-829-4933

IF YOU WRITE, ATTACH THE
STUB OF THIS NOTICE.

WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN 02-0802571. This EIN will identify your business account, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

When filing tax documents, please use the label we provided. If this isn't possible, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above on all federal tax forms, payments and related correspondence. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information isn't correct as shown above, please correct it using tear off stub from this notice and return it to us so we can correct your account.

To receive a ruling or a determination letter recognizing your organization as tax exempt, you should complete Form 1023 or Form 1024, Application for Recognition of Exemption and send to:

Internal Revenue Service
PO Box 192
Covington, KY 41012-0192

Publication 557, Tax Exempt for Your Organization, is available at most IRS offices or you can download this Publication from our Web site at www.irs.gov. This Publication has details on how you can apply.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- * Keep a copy of this notice in your permanent records.
- * Use this EIN and your name exactly as they appear above on all your federal tax forms.
- * Refer to this EIN on your tax related correspondence and documents.

If you have questions, you can call or write to us at the phone number or address at the top of the first page of this notice. If you write, please tear off the stub at the end of this notice and send it along with your letter. Thank you for your cooperation.

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BY-LAWS AND CONSTITUTION
OF THE
STRELNA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

These are the By-Laws and Constitution of the Strelna Volunteer Fire Department, a Non-profit corporation, organized to provide fire protection for its members consistent with the laws of the State of Alaska and the efforts, training, and ingenuity of its members, employees and associates.

This corporation is formed for the mutual aid, benefit, and safety of its members, all of which organize and gather to provide a safer and better quality of life for its members through fire protection.

The By-Laws and Constitution are effective upon ratification by a majority of the membership.

ARTICLE I.
NAME

SECTION 1. The name of this corporation shall be:
The Strelna Volunteer Fire Department.

SECTION 2. The principal office of the corporation shall be located at:
Mile 10 McCarthy Road

SECTION 3. The resident agent for said corporation shall be:
Kris Winter

SECTION 4. The registered office of the corporation shall be:
Mile 32.2 Edgerton Hwy.

SECTION 5. The name of this corporation may be changed by:
A majority vote by 75% of the community members

SECTION 6. The service area boundaries for this corporation shall be:
7 miles in all directions from the principal office.

ARTICLE II.
PURPOSE

SECTION 1. The purpose of this corporation shall be to provide fire protection for its members and to acquire and own fire apparatus for use by the corporation in the protection of persons and property from injury, loss, damage, or destruction by fire or other disasters both natural and man caused, to acquire land and to construct and erect buildings for corporate purposes, for the use of the members of the corporation in connection with the housing of fire apparatus and for providing of a place of meeting for the members of the corporation. Also the corporation shall make every attempt to provide training opportunities for its members in both structural and wildland fire fighting.

Further, the fire department will respond to all calls within its service area. The department will not charge fees for responses within its service area with the exception of wildland urban interface fires of longer duration than six hours. This protection will be rendered on priority of life and property, with a structure fire taking dominion over grass or wildland fire and will rendered to the best of our ability, in regards to training and safety.

SECTION 2. The further object of this corporation shall be to foster the desires of its members in such a manner as in Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 3. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private person except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes authorized by law to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or to the corresponding provisions of any future Internal Revenue law).

SECTION 4. The corporation shall not issue share of stock or other instruments or documents entitling any person to receive dividends arising from the activities of the corporation.

SECTION 5. Fire trucks, apparatus and members may work out of our area at the President and/or Fire Chief's discretion when needed to fight fire and when called upon by others, provided that adequate operational apparatus and active members remain to fulfill the protection obligations to the community.

ARTICLE III. **MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1. Membership shall be open to all members of the community in the following categories:

Junior: Open to all residents under 18 years of age with parental consent

General: Open to all residents 18 years of age or older

Structural: Must pass physical fitness test annually

Wildland: Must maintain EFF qualifications annually

SECTION 2. All Structural and Wildland Fire fighters are expected to be at meetings, trainings and general activities.

SECTION 3. All members must follow the Departments Code of Conduct when representing the corporation, gross misconduct will result in removal from the Department.

SECTION 4. A roll book with a current list of all members will be kept at the principal office.

ARTICLE IV **MEETINGS**

SECTION 1. The annual meeting for this corporation shall be held on the last day of January every year.

SECTION 2. Regular meetings of this corporation shall be held on the last day of each month.

SECTION 3. The Secretary shall mail out notices to every member at their address as it appears in the rolls book, telling time and place of meeting at least ten days prior to the meeting date. In the event that the meeting date falls upon a holiday, the board shall choose another day within two weeks of the original date.

SECTION 4. The board may change meeting dates to within the two week period as long as the 10 day notification is met.

SECTION 5. Special meetings may be called by the President, the Fire Chief, 3 Board Members or 50% of the community members, notices of the meetings will be the same as the regular with the exception that they must include the reason for the meeting, the business to be conducted, and by whom the meeting was called.

ARTICLE V
VOTING

SECTION 1. By Ballot- the Election and Removal of Officers of the Board will be done by ballot vote of the Strelna residents, as well as any other vote deemed necessary. Prior to the vote 3 neutral people shall be assigned to oversee the voting process, certify in writing and read the results to the meeting.

SECTION 2. By Voice – All other votes shall be by voice; the Secretary shall count and document the verbal votes.

ARTICLE VI
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. The responsibility and authority for administration of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors to consist of 5 members. The initial Board of Directors shall be those persons listed in the Articles of Incorporation; The Board of Directors shall have the authority to elect additional members to the Board, up to the maximum number to fill vacant seats.

SECTION 2. Directors shall serve for a period of (2) years and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Directors may succeed themselves from year to year and will be residents of the community and a member of this corporation.

SECTION 3. Directors shall meet with the membership at least once annually, at which in addition to other appropriate business, a new Board of Directors may be elected by the community. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held upon call of any three directors, upon two days notice (unless waived in writing by all directors).

SECTION 4. A majority of the directors (3) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any director's meetings. Any act taken by a majority of the directors, including the removal of any director, and appointment of his successor, shall constitute an act of the Board of Directors. In the event of a vacancy on the Board caused by death, resignation, or removal of a director, the Board shall promptly appoint a successor to fill such vacancy until the next annual meeting.

SECTION 5. The corporation shall sponsor and encourage all forms of instruction, training, and expertise in the area of fire protection, prevention, fighting, training and other areas of disaster relief. Any resident of the community may attend meetings. Residents may become a part of the corporation upon signing as a member. For record purposes, the membership shall consist of those persons who request to have their names placed on the membership list of the corporation, which shall be a reasonably current at the principal office of the corporation.

ARTICLE VII.
DUTY AND AUTHORITY OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The president shall serve as the Chairman of the Board of Directors and shall be vested with the normal authority of a principal executive officer of any ordinary business corporation. Without limiting the general nature of his authority, he shall have authority to act on behalf of the corporation and to bind the corporation, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, if required as the case may be. He shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall present reports to the membership at meetings. He shall also see to it that all books, reports and certifications required by law are properly kept and filed. He shall be able to sign checks and drafts for this corporation.

SECTION 2. The vice-president shall in the event that the president's absence or inability to act in his office, become acting president with all rights and responsibilities of the elected president.

SECTION 3. The secretary shall keep all minutes of all meetings; maintain all attendance and training records and a current membership list. File all certificates required by law. Give notice of all meetings. Attend to all correspondences. Signs checks with the treasurer.

SECTION 4. The treasurer shall be charged with the responsibility of maintaining the financial books and records of the corporation, and shall be authorized, with the secretary or any other Board Member to withdraw, distribute and disburse funds of the corporation in such banks as chosen by the Board of Directors. Receipts are to be made for any and all donations. Shall be solely responsible for all moneys. Shall present reports at meetings.

SECTION 5. The board member shall hold equal vote as all other board members.

SECTION 6. On fund raiser activities the money will be counted by at least two board members at or during the activity.

SECTION 7. No officer may receive salary or compensation for duties of their office, but may receive reasonable compensation for duties other than their office.

No more than 1 person per household may be on the board at one time. No more than 2 immediate family (IE: spouses, siblings, parents or significant others) members may be on the board at one time.

The terms of office shall be for 2 years, President and Secretary on even years and all others on odd years.

ARTICLE VIII.
REMOVALS

SECTION 1. Officers of the Board may be removed for negligence of their duties, misconduct as an officer, deception or other reasons with sufficient cause. A written statement of charges must be mailed to the accused at least 10 days prior to a meeting of the board and the community, where the accuser(s) will state the charges and provide justification for the accusation. The accused may then answer to the charges. A ballot vote of 50% of the community will dictate the verdict. If the accused does not appear at the meeting, they waive their right to answer to the charges and the community will vote without them.

ARTICLE IX
AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. The Articles may be altered, amended, modified, or appealed by two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors at any regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose.

SECTION 2. In the event any provisions contained herein are deemed to conflict with the provisions of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or any lawful and proper regulation adopted there under, then such conflicting provisions shall be automatically amended to conform to such law or regulations

ARTICLE X.
MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 4. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all assets of the corporation to such corporations or organizations operating exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes and qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or such corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). Assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by the Circuit Court of the District in which the principal office of the corporation is located.

SECTION 5. In the event that land is donated or leased, at the dissolution of the Fire Department the land shall be returned to the land owner or their heirs.

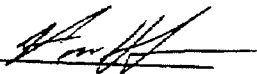
ARTICLE XI
APPROVAL

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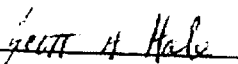
The 15th day of December, 2006

By

CHRISTOPHER M. HATCH



SCOTT A. HALE



Stacy King

